

disposition of the motion to dismiss. On March 31, 2021, Contestant Hart announced she would withdraw her contest. A letter of withdrawal from Contestant Rita Hart, mailed on March 31, 2021, was transmitted to the Committee on House Administration by the Clerk of the House on April 8, 2021.

After a review of House and Committee precedent in contested elections cases in which the contestant withdraws, I have determined no further House or Committee action is required to dismiss the contest. The contestant's letter of withdrawal was entered into the record of the Committee on House Administration's Markup on April 28, 2021, and the Committee will take no further action on this contest.

Sincerely,

ZOE LOFGREN,
Chairperson.

IN RECOGNITION OF JESÚS MORALES

HON. MARIE NEWMAN

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Ms. NEWMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor my guest to President Biden's Address to a Joint Session of Congress, Jesús Morales, who is a union hospitality worker in Illinois' Third District and a member of UNITE HERE Local 1. Thanks to the passage of the American Rescue Plan, laid off union workers are now able to stay on their employers' health plans until the fall, providing critical relief to workers like Jesús who was struggling to pay for the daily medicine and care his family needs.

Millions of union workers like Jesús—who have given decades to their work—saw their jobs taken away by this pandemic only to see their employer health plans taken away too. Without work and without relief from their government, these workers struggled between paying their families' urgently needed medicine and putting food on the table. Thanks to the American Rescue Plan, workers like Jesús are now able to stay on their employer's health plans at no cost through the end of September.

Our union workers have given everything to our city and country, and it is time we honor them in return. That is why I am proud to honor Jesús this week as my virtual guest to President Biden's Address to a Joint Session of Congress. We will not stop fighting to ensure our workers and struggling families are receiving the relief they need to survive this pandemic.

IN HONOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY VOLLEYBALL TEAM

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Coach Craig Skinner and the members of the University of Kentucky Volleyball Team on winning the 2021 NCAA Division I National Championship. This is the first national title for this outstanding program, located in Lexington, Kentucky.

The Wildcats won the Southeastern Conference for the fourth straight year. Defeating Texas in the title game in Omaha, Nebraska, U.K. ended the season 24–1. These impressive student-athletes stayed focused throughout the 2021 season and earned the championship on April 24th. Madison Lilley was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Player and also the AVCA Player of the Year.

Coach Craig Skinner has led the Volleyball Team at the University of Kentucky since 2005. He was named the AVCA Coach of the Year and brought great excitement to the volleyball program. I thank him for his leadership and his dedication to these student-athletes. He has built an excellent program of which all Kentuckians can be proud.

Congratulations to Coach Skinner, the staff, and all the outstanding members of the 2021 NCAA Division I Volleyball National Championship team

HONORING WILLIAM “BILL” SPRINGER

HON. LARRY BUCSHON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Mr. BUCSHON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my dear friend, William “Bill” Springer, for his more than thirty years of work advocating for the betterment of his community.

A true son of Sullivan County, Indiana, Bill, his two sisters, and two brothers were raised in that community. Bill and his beloved wife, Rita, raised their two sons in Sullivan. He demonstrated his dedication to the youth of the community each year by his involvement in annual events like the Easter Egg Hunt at City Park and the annual Halloween Walk Around the Square.

In recent years, Bill has operated the Sullivan County Indiana News on social media, a source that his community has relied on for important local information.

Bill has been dedicated advocate for responsible government. He led his political party for thirty years and assisted with federal, state, and local campaigns. His tireless efforts have helped several people take on leadership roles in Sullivan County.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring William “Bill” Springer, a native son of Sullivan County dedicated to improving the lives and communities of his fellow Hoosiers

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I was unable to vote on the Legislative Day of April 19, 2021. For public safety reasons, had I been present for the roll call vote H.R. 1996—SAFE Banking Act of 2021, I would have cast the following vote: Roll Call 120: Yea.

CONGRATULATING DR. SANDRA CARRAWAY ON HER RETIREMENT

HON. RICK W. ALLEN

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Mr. ALLEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank Dr. Sandra Carraway, Superintendent of the Columbia County School System, for her commitment to our students' education, and to congratulate her on her upcoming retirement.

Dr. Carraway has dedicated her life to education, starting as a teacher and working her way up to superintendent. Both the county and school district saw growth while under her leadership, and she will be remembered for always prioritizing the well-being of our students—including in the midst of unprecedented challenges.

She led the school district as it was one of the first in Georgia to reopen following the COVID-19 outbreak. Thanks to her leadership, Columbia County students were able to continue learning and stay on track academically. I know parents are eternally grateful for her actions to get students back in the classroom in such a prompt and safe manner.

Congratulations, Dr. Carraway, on an incredible career. I wish her the very best as she enters a well-deserved retirement

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF MICHAEL SPELLMAN

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the outstanding 34-year career in public safety of the City of Groton Police Chief Michael Spellman. Chief Spellman recently announced his retirement, after serving the public as a member of law enforcement in various capacities including resident state trooper for 25 years, followed by a stint as a detective in the statewide narcotics squad, and culminating in his appointment to the Chief of the Groton force. Throughout that long tenure he upheld the highest standards of ethics, professionalism, and compassion, never losing focus on his mission “to protect and serve.”

A lifelong proud resident of the Pawcatuck section of Stonington, Michael is a proud alumnus of Stonington High School where he was involved in student government, a multi-sport Varsity letterman, and an honorable mention as an Offensive Guard on the 1980 New Haven Register All State Team. Michael demonstrated his leadership skills early in life and took his talents to Central Connecticut State University where he would earn his B.A. in political science and public administration.

After earning his degree, Michael decided to dedicate himself to working on the front lines to protect the public as a law enforcement officer. In 1987, Michael graduated from the 96th Training Troop of The Connecticut State Police—the rest, they say, is history. Starting his career as a state trooper at Troop E in Montville, Michael served the community as a state police officer in East Lyme, Danielson, and Meriden. While simultaneously working as